



TESTIMONY OF
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CONNECTICUT ALARM & SYSTEMS INTEGRATORS ASSOCIATION
(CASIA)
BEFORE THE
LABOR COMMITTEE
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The Connecticut Alarm & Systems Integrators Association (CASIA) opposes **HB-5460**, An Act Concerning Captive Audience Meetings, that restricts employers in Connecticut from being able to disseminate important information to their employees.

Because the vast majority of employers in our industry are small employers, we are concerned with this proposal that could be used to ban or severely limit important communication from the employer to the employee, even in situations where the information being circulated is in the best interest of the employee.

Employers are already under very strict federal guidelines and threat of penalty on how they may communicate with their employees, so we believe that this measure is unnecessary.

Connecticut must drastically improve our prospects for job creation and economic growth. Passage of this measure will not achieve that. Therefore, we urge rejection of HB-5460.

Thank you for the opportunity to present comments today.

CASIA, a statewide trade association established in 1974, is comprised of alarm companies working together to protect lives and property through the responsible use of electrical security and fire alarm systems. Our members are professional and technically skilled and experienced in integrated systems for intrusion and fire systems, closed circuit television, telephone, intercom, home theater, access control systems and computer wiring.